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- 1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
- 2. Modified Form 1449/PTO (1 page);
- 3. Cited References B1-B5; C1; and
- 4. Return Postcard.

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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby makes of record the documents listed on the attached modified Form PTO-1449 in the above-identified application, copies of which are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee or certification is believed required.

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims. It is also respectfully requested that the Examiner initial, sign and date, and return a copy of the signed modified Form PTO-1449 with the next U.S. PTO communication, to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application.

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